OFFSHORE SAILING TEAM Volunteer Coach Wish List – Fall 2004

Dear Coach,

Thank you for offering to volunteer your time with the Varsity Offshore Sailing Team (VOST). You will find the fall Wish List online at: http://www.nadn.navy.mil/SailingTeam/offshore/04fall/fall04wishlist.xls

This is an **EXCEL** database. Save it to your computer as an Excel (.xls) database, fill in the blanks, save it and e-mail it back to us (preferred method). **OR** print out the Acrobat PDF file and fill it out by hand. Please mark the days you are available to practice in the fall and return it via one of the methods below by Friday 27 August for first consideration. We will assign coaching days and post the Fall 2004 coaching schedule on the web page by Saturday 28 August.

Return via:

- a) drop off in the office
- b) mail to: Brad Dellenbaugh; Robert Crown Sailing Center; 601 Brownson Road, USNA; Annapolis, MD 21402
- c) Fax to 410-293-5233
- d) E-mail the Excel database as an e-mail attachment to dellen@usna.edu

You are all welcome to attend our opening team meeting on Monday 23 August at 1545 in the downstairs (VOST) classroom. We will also be holding practice the rest of that week. If you are interested in coaching from 24-27 August, please call the office.

We plan to use four donated boats: Javelin (a Farr 49' donated this summer by Mr. Larry Bulman), Blue Angel (Farr 43'), Hornet (Farr 39') and Allegiance (J/105). We will also be using Swift and Vigilant and at times the entire team will be training in Navy 44's. As we do each fall, we will host both the Shields Trophy (Service Academies) and the McMillan Cup.

In selecting crews this fall, we will be assigning teams not only to boats, but also to major regattas during the season (see the schedule at: http://www.nadn.navy.mil/SailingTeam/offshore/04fall/fall04sched.pdf). This will allow each crew to focus on their specific goals. The two Navy 44s will generally have younger/less-experienced crews.

Despite any rumors to the contrary, we are planning to conduct business as usual. However, please be cognizant of the fact that due to experience and/or physical condition, not all volunteers are qualified to be on all the boats. We will make assignments accordingly. Please let us know if you have any reservations about sailing on any of the boats.

Thank you for your continued support of the offshore sailing program. We are fortunate to have such talented sailors and leaders who are willing to contribute their time to the Midshipmen.

Sincerely,

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 Drew Kellogg

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